GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Sericulture Department – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri B. Ramakrishna, Assistant Inspector of Sericulture for allegation of irregularities for non clearance of dues to seed area while working at D.P.A.P.Grainage, Dharmavaram, Ananthapur District – Penalty besides recovery awarded – Implementation of A.P. Administrative Tribunal – Penalty reduced – Issued.

AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 306

<u>Dated: 09-03-2010</u> Read the following:-

- 1. Procgs.No.10763/1999-B1, dt.04-03-2003 of CoS, Hyderabad.
- 2. From A.P.A.T. Order dt.31-03-2003 in O.A.No.10182/2002.
- 3. G.O.Ms.No.54, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.17-02-2004.
- 4. G.O.Ms.No.201, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.07-09-2006.
- 5. G.O.Rt.No.939, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.14-09-2006.
- 6. From A.P.A.T. Common order dt.29-10-2009, in O.A.Nos.8078/2007, 7582/2007, 8021/2007, 8038/2007, 7578/2007, 8083/2007 & 1453/2008

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ORDER:

In this disciplinary case, the Commissioner of Sericulture, Hyderabad awarded the penalty of stoppage of three annual grade increments with cumulative effect besides recovery of entire due amount of Rs.2,48,276/- against Sri B. Ramakrishna, Assistant Inspector of Sericulture for the alleged charges held proved against him in the departmental inquiry in the reference 1st read above.

- 2. The A.P.A.T. in its order dt.31-03-2003 in O.A.No.10182/2002 filed by Sri S. Venkataramana, Inspector of Sericulture directed, inter alia, to pass orders which shall be in uniformity with the orders passed in respect of similarly situated persons.
- 3. In the light of above A.P.A.T. orders and in exercise of powers conferred under Rule 43 of A.P.C.S.(CCA)Rules, 1991, Government took up revision of the penalty orders issued by the Commissioner of Sericulture, Hyderabad against (24) individuals, whose cases are similarly situated and issued necessary orders accordingly. Sri B. Ramakrishna, Assistant Inspector of Sericulture is one among the above (24) individuals.
- 4. After careful examination of the matter, Government, in the reference 5th read above, issued orders confirming the penalty orders issued by the Commissioner of Sericulture, Hyderabad against Sri B. Ramakrishna, Assistant Inspector of Sericulture.
- 5. Aggrieved by the above, Sri B. Ramakrishna, Assistant Inspector of Sericulture has approached the A.P.A.T. and filed an O.A.No.8078/2007.
- 6. The A.P. Administrative Tribunal in its common order dt.29-10-2009, in O.A.Nos.8078/2007, 7582/2007, 8021/2007, 8038/2007, 7578/2007, 8083/2007 & 1453/2008 have ordered as follows:-
 - "....It is a fact that the Applicants were entrusted with the stocks of eggs for marketing purpose. They sold the eggs to various customers on credit basis, without the permission of the higher authorities. The Applicants could recover some of the amounts and there was also late remittance and some more amounts could not be realized from the alleged customers. Therefore, from the record, it is made out that there was dereliction of duty on the part of the Applicants, but subsequently, they remitted the amounts due to the Government. Therefore, I am of the view that a lenient view can be taken regarding the imposition of punishment.

In the light of the above circumstances, the O.As are disposed of. The order of recovery stands confirmed in view of the remittance said to be made by the Applicants. If any amount remained due, the Respondents are at liberty to recover the amount from the respective Applicants. The punishment of stoppage of three annual grade increments with cumulative effect is modified by reducing the same into stoppage of one increment with cumulative effect. No costs".

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- 7. Government have examined the entire matter carefully and decided to implement the common orders dt.29-10-2008 of A.P.A.T. in O.A.Nos.8078/2007, 7582/2007, 8021/2007, 8038/2007, 7578/2007, 8083/2007 & 1453/2008 and to reduce the penalty of stoppage of three annual grade increments with cumulative effect to that of stoppage of one annual grade increment with cumulative effect besides recovery as ordered in the reference 5th read above against Sri B. Ramakrishna, Assistant Inspector of Sericulture.
- 8. Accordingly, Government hereby reduce the penalty of stoppage of three annual grade increments with cumulative effect to that of stoppage of one annual grade increment without repeat without cumulative effect besides recovery as ordered in the reference 5th read above against Sri B. Ramakrishna, Assistant Inspector of Sericulture.
- 9. The Commissioner of Sericulture, A.P., Hyderabad shall take necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

A.K. GOEL A.P.C. & SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, ATM

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Sri B. Ramakrishna, Assistant Inspector of Sericulture (Through: The Commissioner of Sericulture, A.P., Hyderabad)

Copy to:-

The Commissioner of Sericulture, A.P., Hyderabad Sc/Sf.

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